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CITY PLANS SPECIAL BLITZ ATTACK ON POTHOLES

WARMER TEMPERATURES AND HOT MIX AVAILABILITY AIDS IN CHUCKHOLE ASSAULT

INDIANAPOLIS – The Department of Public Works plans to take advantage of expected warmer temperatures and the availability of hot-mix material to step up the assault on potholes in a two day blitz event.

WHO: Indianapolis Department of Public Works

WHAT: Special Pothole Blitz

WHERE: To Be Determined By Areas of Most Need

WHEN: Friday, Saturday – March 5 & 6, 2010

7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The city's 3-tier strategy to combat pothole formation and repairs is the city's most aggressive ever including better repair methods, extensive crack-sealing and building newer streets. As a result of better repair methods, potholes are now being repaired faster. However, snow accumulations totaling 31 inches in January and February prevented daily pothole repair as work crews battled to remove snow and ice from city streets.

So far this year, the average cycle-time of repairing a pothole from the time it is reported is just under 4 days (3.91). Compared to this time last year, when the average was 8.14 days, this is a tremendous improvement. This is dramatic growth from January and February of 2008 when the average was 19 days.

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To report a pothole online visit: http://www.indy.gov/eGov/Mayor/Pages/Pothole.aspx. You may also call the Mayor's Action Center (MAC) at 327-4622 to report a pothole.

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